

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of generating a medical report, comprising:

displaying pre-chosen findings and a separate medical report simultaneously on an electronic display, the medical report comprising a summary section; and

automatically copying electronically a respective pre-chosen finding selected from the pre-chosen findings into the summary section of the medical report.
2. A method as recited in claim 1,

wherein the medical report further comprises a plurality of group sections, and

automatically copying electronically each pre-chosen finding into a group section of the plurality of group sections which corresponds to the pre-chosen finding.
3. A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising:

receiving a twice selected pre-chosen finding, the twice selected pre-chosen finding being previously selected and copied into the summary section of the medical report; and

automatically removing electronically the twice selected pre-chosen finding from the summary section of the medical report.

4. A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising selecting the pre-chosen findings from a list of available findings.
5. A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising displaying on the electronic display an indicator next to the selected pre-chosen finding, separate from the medical report
6. A method as recited in claim 5, further comprising:
 - receiving a twice selected pre-chosen finding, the twice selected pre-chosen finding being previously selected and copied into the medical report;
 - automatically removing electronically the twice selected pre-chosen finding in the summary section of the medical report; and
 - automatically removing electronically the indicator next to the twice selected pre-chosen finding.
7. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the copying further comprises converting the selected pre-chosen finding into a more descriptive form before copying into the summary section.

8. A method comprising:

displaying a list of predetermined findings and a medical report simultaneously on an electronic display; and

when a respective predetermined finding is electronically selected from the list, automatically electronically copying said respective predetermined finding into the medical report.

9. A computer readable storage medium storing a computer program instructing a computer to perform a method of generating a medical report, the method comprising:

displaying pre-chosen findings and a separate medical report simultaneously on an electronic display, the medical report comprising a summary section; and

automatically copying electronically a respective pre-chosen finding selected from the pre-chosen findings into the summary section of the medical report.

10. A computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 9,

wherein the medical report further comprises a plurality of group sections, and automatically copying electronically each pre-chosen finding into a group section of the plurality of group sections which corresponds to the pre-chosen finding.

11. A computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 9, further comprising:
receiving a twice selected pre-chosen finding, the twice selected pre-chosen finding
being previously selected and copied into the summary section of the medical report; and
automatically removing electronically the twice selected pre-chosen finding from the
summary section of the medical report.
12. A computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 9, further comprising selecting
the pre-chosen findings from a list of available findings.
13. A computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 9, further comprising
displaying on the electronic display an indicator next to the selected pre-chosen finding,
separate from the medical report
14. A computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 13, further comprising:
receiving a twice selected pre-chosen finding, the twice selected pre-chosen finding
being previously selected and copied into the medical report;
automatically removing electronically the twice selected pre-chosen finding in the
summary section of the medical report; and

automatically removing electronically the indicator next to the twice selected pre-chosen finding.

15. A computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 9, wherein the copying further comprises converting the selected pre-chosen finding into a more descriptive form before copying into the summary section.

16. A computer readable storage medium storing a computer program instructing a computer to perform a method of generating a medical report, the method comprising:

displaying a list of predetermined findings and a medical report simultaneously on an electronic display; and

when a respective predetermined finding is electronically selected from the list, automatically electronically copying said respective predetermined finding into the medical report.

17. An apparatus comprising:

means for displaying a list of predetermined findings and a medical report simultaneously on an electronic display; and

when a respective predetermined finding is electronically selected from the list, means for automatically electronically copying said respective predetermined finding into the medical report.

18. An apparatus comprising:

a display unit displaying pre-chosen findings and a separate medical report simultaneously on an electronic display, the medical report comprising a summary section; and

a processing unit automatically copying a respective pre-chosen finding selected from the pre-chosen findings into the summary section of the medical report.